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SUBJ: DANISH PARLIAMENT APPROVES F-16 PURCHASE

- 1. LATE THIS AFTERNOON (JUNE 11) PARLIAMENT APPROVED THE PURCHASE OF THE F-16. THE VOTE WAS 114 YES 48 NO WITH 17 MEMBERS ABSENT. THE RESOLUTION PROVIDES FOR THE PURCHASE OF 48 AIRCRAFT NOW WITH 10 ON OPTION, AND ITS EFFECT IS CONTINGENT ON THE FOUR-NATION EUROPEAN CONSORTIUM HOLDING TOGETHER.
- 2. ALTHOUGH WE DO NOT YET KNOW EXACTLY WHO LINED UP FOR AND AGAINST, THE GENERALPICTURE IS CLEAR. THE RESOLUTION WAS UNCLASSIFIED

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SUPPORTED EN BLOC BY THE LIBERALS, CONSERVATIVES, CHRISITAN

PEOPLE'S PARTY, CENTER DEMOCRATS AND ALL THE SOCIAL DEMOCRATS EXCEPT PRESUMABLY THE TWO PARLIAMENTARIANS WHO HAD ANNOUNCED THEIR INTENTION TO OPPOSE THE PURCHASE.

- 3. MOGENS GLISTRUP'S PROGRESSIVES SPLIT WITH MOST VOTING AGAINST. ALSO IN OPPOSITION IN BLOC WERE THE RADICALS SOCIALIST PEOPLES PARTY COMMUNISTS AND LEFT SOCIALISTS.
- 4. THIS ACTION COMPLETES DANISH ACTION ON THE F-16 PURCHASE UNLESS THE BELGIANS DROP OUT OF THE CONSORTIUM. CROWE

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